

TORBAY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Business meeting Minutes At Teignbridge District Scout Headquarters Held on Friday 9th February 2018 at 20.00 hours

Number of members signed in the book -23 but 34 head-counted at start of meeting.

1. **Apologies from** M3LMG, G6FSP, M3VVG & 2E0GHR.
2. Minutes from the 12th January meeting had been posted on website - taken as read.
3. **Club HQ**
 - a. **Contest report**

RSGB 80M Club Championships – 5th February SSB with 11 operators
G3SNU -97; G0NUZ – 74; G3LHJ – 68; G3YCH – 65; G4VUD – 50; G6GLP – 48; M0 M0HHG – 38; M0TQR – 34;
G0WWD – 26; G4VTO – 20; M0LAI – 20.
Next session is on 14th February – Data-PSK31 & RTTY from 8 – 9.29. Please do not include any contacts after 9.30.
 - b. **Training courses-**

The forthcoming Foundation exam will be attempted on-line as we now have a stable internet link set up by Kerry. We have four new assessors volunteered for the training team, Roger, Che, Kerry and Jeff. M0TCF also informed the members that a new training package has been assembled to give to all new candidates.
 - c. **Monthly meetings**
 1. **AGM 23rd February.** There is a list on the notice board, so far three names have been written up to volunteer.
 2. **March 23rd** – Trophy's, certificates will be presented.
 3. **90/10 Auction on 27th April.** Auctioneer and Porter volunteers have yet to be finalised, we hope G4VFG and M1AEI will be available when asked.
 4. **Friday 20th April** Just to remind everyone that we have been asked to use room 2. Due to the Scout Booking making the mistake by double booking room 1, we have been offered the use of room 2 free of charge.
 - d. **Special Events**
 1. We have again been asked to put on a special event station at Kent's Cavern for GEO Parks on 9/10th June. G3VOF is arranging this event.
 2. Railways on the Air takes place in September and we will attend a new event held at the Weston-Super-Mare Helicopter Museum, BS24 8PP, on 6,7 & 8 April to help BLESMA charity is the World at War Weekend. There will be re-enactment groups, helicopter open cockpits, WW2 encampment to make an interesting weekend. M0TCF suggested that it would be worthwhile to hold a special event station during this weekend as the W-S-M club are not planning to put on a station.
 - e. **70th Birthday Logo clothing.** Polo shirts, sweat shirts, jumpers and fleeces can still be ordered. See or email G7SME for details.
4. **TARS Communications Fair 26th August.**

Until the deposit is paid (due in March) we cannot make any firm plans.
5. **Membership Secretaries report.**

We now have 119 paid up members. Please welcome Chris Philipson who joined tonight. We have 6 new members so far this year and only 6 who have decided not to re-join because of moving out of the area or giving up the hobby; leaving 21 who have yet to renew.
6. **GB3TR report –**

The IRLP got accidentally turned off for a day, but now OK. TR - It's still there, still running,
7. **Any other business.**
 - a. This is a reminder for any A.O.B. that needs to be discussed at the AGM. Members have until 20th February to inform the secretary. Just to remind everyone that NO A.O.B. will be discussed at the AGM unless an agenda item.
 - b. 30th March is Good Friday so there will be no club meeting.
 - c. Club of The Year entry. M0TCF and the training team are compiling the TARS entry, the committee will be sent the entry for proof reading before being sent onto the RSGB.
 - d. The Exeter Repeater EW had a mast failure in the recent high winds. Its now fixed although a bit shorter.
 - e. The First Aid at Work course is tomorrow from 9am at the Bradninch Scout Hall.
8. **Date of next committee meeting-** Wednesday 21st February at Asda's Training Room
9. **Date of next business meetings –** 9th March; 13th April 11th May.
10. **Date of next monthly meeting –** 23rd February – Annual General Meeting - Starting 20.00 hours promptly.

Meeting ended at 20.24 hours